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PRIME BRASS CONCERT

Saturday 9th February 2019 In the Church at 7.30pm

We are pleased to announce the return of this popular and talented group.

Tickets, at £7 including a glass of wine, will be on sale after Christmas in church after the service or you can phone to reserve some from Malcolm 01954 488657 or Sue 01954 780260. There will also be fairly priced refreshments to purchase in the interval.

These concerts are always appreciated not least because they happen here in the village which avoids driving and parking.

Come and join us for an uplifting evening in friendly company.

BAR HILL SCHOOL PTA

Upcoming events:

End of Term Disco **14th December**

Reception-year 2: 6–7.15pm

Year 3+: 7.30–9pm

PTA Christmas Raffle:

Tickets are now on sale from the school office at 25p a ticket. Prizes so far include beauty treatments, DIY tools, kids football party, chocolate hamper, Cambridge United Tickets. If you would like to donate a prize please take to the school office or email Em.Spenceley@hotmail.co.uk

PTA POP QUIZ – Saturday **26th January** from 7.15pm

£5.00 per person, max 8 people per team.

Limited numbers. Please collect booking form from the school office.

— NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH —

Helping to build stronger communities where crime and antisocial behaviour are less likely to happen.

Remember:

999 where a crime is in progress or life is in danger;

101 to report ALL suspicions or concerns, for advice or to report a crime that has already happened.

nhwinbarhill@yahoo.co.uk

BAR HILL, A SOCIAL HISTORY, 1949–2004

by Roger Hall.

Copies are still available, priced £10.00, from Roger Hall, 11 Almond Grove, tel. 01954 80304 or 07986 415244

— RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION —

Interested persons are always welcome at Residents' Association meetings.

Next meeting: **4th** December at **7.30pm** in the Parish Council Office. No meeting in January.

— THE OLIVE TREE —

"The Olive tree" is a bereavement Support Group that is available to anyone in the Bar Hill community who is recently or previously bereaved and who would welcome the time to participate in a group with people who have also experienced the pain and devastation of the loss of a loved one.

It is a monthly event taking place in the Octagon from 10.30–11.30am on the third Saturday of the month, unless otherwise notified.

The Olive Tree was set up by members of Bar Hill Church who have had training (by CRUSE) in supporting individuals who have been bereaved. It is open to anyone with a faith or none.

We are an informal and friendly group who aim to care for and support anyone who has had a bereavement whether recent or in the past. Coffee, tea, cakes and biscuits are part of the morning. A discussion about an aspect of bereavement will take place. There is a chance for a one to one talk in confidence with one of the leaders if needed.

We like to have a social event more than once in the year. It could be a shared meal, or a walk and lunch out or another social activity.

We value our members support and friendship of one another and every ones' confidence is respected.

Dates for 2019 – These are usually the third Saturday of the month:

19th January	20th July
16th February	17th August
16th March	21st September
20th April	19th October
18th May	16th November
15th June	21st December

"A Time to Remember". A special service on Sunday 20th January 2019 at 6.00pm. This may be helpful to anyone who has been bereaved and is a chance to remember. It is a candle lit service followed by refreshments and time to talk and all are welcome.

For further information please contact: Sue Kenchington 01954 780260 or Chris Stannard 01954 781978

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Cyber-criminals use weaknesses in software and apps to attack your devices and steal your identity. Software updates are designed to fix these weaknesses and installing them as soon as possible will keep your devices & data secure.

Software updates don't have to get in the way of what you're doing. You can choose to install them at night, when your device is plugged in and connected to wi-fi. You can also configure most devices to automatically install software and app updates.

For more information on how to stay secure online, visit www.cyberaware.gov.uk or follow @Cyberprotectuk on Twitter.

Deadline for FEBRUARY's edition: 15th January to bhneditor@yahoo.com
or see page 2 for other contacts.

— BAR HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION —

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The objectives of the association are to act as an intermediary between residents and other parties, to keep residents informed of matters of importance and recreation in and around the village, and to promote the interests of Bar Hill. Opinions expressed in this publication are not necessarily those of the Association. Anonymous letters will not be published, but names and addresses may be withheld. This is a private publication and may not be reproduced in any way without the prior permission of the Bar Hill Residents' Association Committee.

ADVERTISING

All matters relating to advertising should be addressed to the Advertising Coordinator at: ab10034@cam.ac.uk.
Quarter-page adverts cost £16.50 per month and must be submitted by the 1st of the month prior to inclusion. These ads are for local businesses and we guarantee publication, but this often results in a waiting list.
To help overcome this, we publish Maxi and Mini ads which appear throughout the publication. We cannot guarantee their inclusion, though, due to restrictions of space. Maxi ads (6cmx4½cm – 9cmx6cm) are £8.50 per month; Mini ads (6cmx2cm – 6cmx4cm) are £5 per month, and should be submitted by 15th of the month prior to their inclusion.

EDITORIAL

There is no charge for Articles, What's On, For Sale or Lost and Found. These appear at the Editor's discretion. Please submit items by 15th of the month. [Items offered For Sale will be advertised in two consecutive editions, so please let the Editor know if the item(s) sell after the first time.] All items can be submitted electronically on disk or to bhneditor@yahoo.com *[a Word file is best, please]* or hard copy via Parish Council Office.

— THE MAPLE SURGERY —

Tel: **01954 780442**
www.mhmaple.co.uk

Out of Hours Emergencies — call **111**
(Cambridgeshire and Peterborough 111 Service)

Surgery Opening times:

Monday to Friday — 8am – 6.30pm

On the day appointments: bookable by phone at 8.30am.

Midwife	Monday	9.30am–12.30pm
Podiatrist	Wed. & Friday	8.45am–12 noon *and* 1.00–4.00pm
Cambs Hearing Help	4th Tues/month	9.30–11.30am
Health Visitors *(based at Longstanton)*:		01954 207612
Well Child Clinics:	3rd Tues/month	1.00–2.30pm

at the Children's Centre, Bar Hill *(next to Primary School).*

— BAR HILL HEALTH WALKS —

Free every Wednesday morning
Meet at Maple Surgery at 10.30am

Our walks are all weather *(in case of rain you will find us under the Church porch)*, free, and accessible to all, particularly those who are currently inactive.
Walks are 45–60 minutes long, and led by trained Volunteer Walk Leaders. Shorter walks may be available; contact Patricia or Josephine to discuss.
We meet locally after the walk for a hot drink and a chat. This is usually in the library, but may sometimes be at Costa, Tesco, or the Fox.
If this is your first walk please arrive 10 minutes early to complete a short health questionnaire. Copies are available on the PPG noticeboard in Maple Surgery, and at www.walkingforhealth.org.uk.
Contact: Josephine Powell T: 07901 558108;
E: jopowell45@hotmail.com or Patricia Daniels
T: 07917 874402; E: danielsoohn@btinternet.com.

BOARD GAMES & NOVELS IN COMIC-BOOK FORM

Have you any of these you do not want? On days of winter when children at Bar Hill School cannot play outside due to inclement weather, board games and novels are useful to entertain them during the morning and lunchtime breaks.
If you have any, please deliver to Jo Hall, 11 Almond Grove, or to the school.
Any buttons, embroidery cotton and ribbon would be appreciated.

SUMMIT LANDSCAPES

• Paving • Driveways • Brickwork •
• Carpentry • Groundworks • T: 01223 929394;
ww.landscapingpaving.co.uk

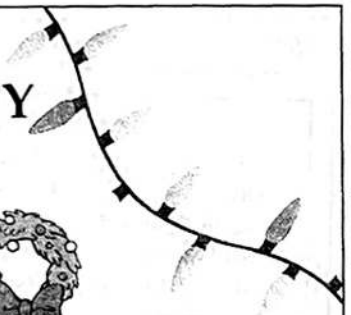
— NWR —
CONNECTING WOMEN WHO ARE INTERESTED IN EVERYTHING AND TALK ABOUT ANYTHING

NWR is a national women's organisation with members who enjoy lively conversations both serious and light-hearted. It is for women of all ages who like to be informed and share ideas by actively participating in the content of meetings. We promote friendship and self-confidence for lively minded women. We invite you to join us. Come along to one of our meetings – you'd be very welcome.

6th Dec. Debate about the NHS – Is it fit for purpose? If not what is the alternative?
20th Dec. Pub Quiz – with drinks and nibbles
10th Jan. Items Beginning with N W and R – show and tell!
24th Jan. Burns Night – all about Scotland

The Bar Hill NWR group meets informally in members' homes on alternate Thursday evenings at 8pm. We pay an annual fee of £23 and just £1 per meeting to cover local costs. If you would like more information or someone to accompany you to a meeting, please don't hesitate to call Bobby Colver on 01954 781662 or Karen Hayden on 01954 781843.
NWR can also be found on www.nwr.org.uk.
Why not have a look!

BAR HILL COMMUNITY MARKET



Christmas Market
Saturday 1st December
In the Church
Entry is Free
10.30am – 2pm

All profits go to community projects
Refreshments (with mince pies) and Soup at lunchtime.
Children activities along with Hunt the Penguin.
Handmade Crafts and Produce, Cakes and Lots More .

If you wish to be part of the market please contact Karen Austen 01954 781085 or bar.hill.community.market@ntlworld.com
Facebook: Bar Hill Community Market

BICYCLE REPAIRS & SERVICING – 07914 655086

— HEALTH AND WELLBEING CLUB —

Held on the second Tuesday of the month between 2–4pm in Tesco Community Room, the group focuses on aspects of promoting and maintaining good health in every area.
We start with a chair based exercise activity followed by advice from Tesco's departments.
This is a unique and friendly group and is an ideal place to meet new people.
Next meetings: 11th December; 8th January.
For further information, contact Wendy Arrowsmith on 01954 781381.

— HAPPY HOURS —

Our Club meets on most Mondays in the Octagon building of Bar Hill Church and runs from 11am until 3pm with coffee, tea and light lunches. Our Winter lunch time menu consists of soup and a roll (at £1.50), baked potato with butter (at £1.50) or filled baked potatoes (cheese, tuna mayo or baked beans at £2.50) or a ploughman's lunch (at £2.30). Our aim is to provide friendship and companionship so why not come along and give us a try? You can have a good old natter, a game or two, or enjoy our other various activities. We would welcome new members.

Coming up in December and January:
3rd December: Christmas Arts & Crafts
10th December: Christmas Short Stories
17th December: **Club members only, pre-booked** – Christmas dinner
There is no meeting on the 24th or 31st December.
7th January: Bingo and a Quiz
14th January: The Meaning of Names
21st January: Mind and Memory Games
28th January: 'Feel Your Way'
Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
Anne Plumb, 01954 780364

— BAR HILL BOOK CLUB —

Next meetings: on **Tuesday 22nd January at 7.30pm** in **Bar Hill Sports & Social Club**, The Spinney, Bar Hill.
Please join our friendly group, we offer a lovely welcome, good company and great book choices.
Let me know if you would like to join us and I will arrange a warm welcome.
sheilafarrar@hotmail.co.uk or tel/text: 07920 558319

DRY DRAYTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Our W.I. meets at 2.30pm on the second Tuesday of every month in the Village Hall, High Street, Dry Drayton.
Our future programme is:
11th Dec. Christmas meal for members.
Visitors are always welcome – £5
Contacts: Huguette 01954 781484
Alice 01954 782497

— 8 O'CLOCK CLUB —

We are a women's group that meets on the first Thursday of the month in the lounge at the school at 8pm. The cost is £10 for the year plus 50p each month to cover the raffle and coffee.
We have a variety of speakers as well as an annual garden party, birthday party and Christmas meal. Our upcoming meetings are as follows:–
6 Dec. – Christmas meal – members only
3 January – no meeting
7 February – the development of Ely cathedral as we know it today
7 March – history of salt
4 April – Birthday party (members only)
If you'd like further information please phone Barbara on 01954 204171, Adela on 01954 204265, Ann on 01954 204687, or come along to one of our meetings. We'd be very pleased to meet you.

— LETTERS and THANK YOUs —

Dear Editor
I'd like to say thank you to the person who puts a copy of the Bar Hill News in the Dentist's waiting room. This led directly to the sale of my car, as they saw the advert...
Thank you to you also for putting the ad in the Bar Hill News.
Jackie, The Spinney

Dear Editor
Thank you for taking the time to read and publish my letter in the October issue of BHN. I've had lots of feedback, questions and interest about the Bar Hill Taekwondo club since then, so I thought it may be helpful to give an update on our latest news and achievements.
Oscar, Charlotte and Fox attended a grading in October. Their hard work over the summer months paid off and it's great to be able to announce that they were all successful in being promoted to their next belt. Well done!!
The club has also been very busy competition wise, with some of our students attending the South East Area championship. Joe brought back a Bronze medal in sparring and really excelled to bring home a Gold in tag team sparring. Charlotte also excelled at the event and attained a Gold medal in sparring. We also attended the British Championships at Birmingham's Indoor Arena and Charlotte was awarded a Bronze medal in both sparring and tag team sparring. What fantastic results - we are so proud.
All in all the Bar Hill Taekwondo club has had a really successful year and we are now training for next year's gradings and competitions. My instructor, fellow students and I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
Sam Dethridge, Otter Close

— THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION — POPPY APPEAL

The Royal British Legion would like to thank all those who helped with the collection. The total so far collected at Tesco is £10,477.18 this is not the final total as we have still to collect and count the tins from all the businesses and shops who so kindly agreed to help collect for us. We will put the final total in the February Bar Hill News.
We would like to thank Maggie Cox for organising this year's collection, Tesco for the use of the space and for helping with counting. We would also like to say a big thank you to all those who gave so generously.
The Royal British Legion would also like to thank all those who attended the Dedication and Remembrance service.
As of February we will be moving back into the Meeting Room of the Church for our monthly meetings, anyone wishing to come along and see what we are about please feel free to do so the first meeting is on Thursday 28th February at 7.30pm.

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HALLOWEEN THANK YOU

A huge thank you to Magda and Simon for letting us use their garden for our Halloween display.
Thank you to all our visitors who made it a very successful event, and raised £167.62.
Gail and Richard

BAR HILL SCHOOL PTA FIREWORKS

WOW! What an evening. The PTA would like to thank all who attended the fireworks. What a community event and the feeling on the night of community support and spirit was amazing. The fireworks cost £1800 to put on and we were worried about covering the cost. We with support of local businesses and groups such as the Bar Hill Church, the Residents' Association, Elite Kitchens and Bathrooms, Travelsights Coaches, Bar Hill Motors and Cambridge Building Society we were able to start planning.
The donations on the evening were staggering.
We thoroughly hope you enjoyed the event and we have already got the ball rolling for next year. We have set up a just giving page https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/barhillschoolpta
Please help us make next year bigger and better.
Many Thanks
PTA

CHRISTMAS DISPLAY

12 Appletrees – 4th December to 2nd January
Raising funds for the Cardiac Unit, Addenbrookes.
Come along and enjoy the display. Look forward to meeting you all.
Thank you, *Gail* and *Richard*.

RHYMETIME and STORYTIME

The Library's new programme of events for young children has began. **Rhymetime** and **Storytime** are events that give you the opportunity to enjoy time with them while they develop their speaking and listening skills. Sessions are free and there is no need to book. Do come along and find out what your local library has to offer you.

Rhymetime is for 0–3-year-olds and is held on **Tuesdays**, from **2.15–2.45pm**. Join your baby or toddler in singing rhymes, and meet other parents and carers.
Storytime is for 3–7-year-olds – the age range has been extended. It is usually held on the second **Saturday** of the month from **11–11.30am** but there will be no session in December. Bring your child along in January to enjoy listening to stories, do some singing and try a craft or colouring activity.
Dates for mid-winter
Rhymetime: from 2.15–2.45pm on Tuesday 4, 11 and 18 December, and Tuesday 8, 15, 22 and 29 January.
Storytime: from 11–11.30am on Saturday 12 January.

— BAR HILL PARISH COUNCIL —

Sue Bell, Parish Clerk: 01954 780456
e-mail: clerk@barhillpc.org.uk.
Please note that the office is normally open to residents between 10am and 12noon, Monday to Wednesday.

Our website is at: www.barhillpc.org.uk.

FOR SALE

Paper Shredder – £10
Crock Pot (3.5 litres) – £10
Cane Easy Chair – £8
Free-standing Radiator (Cream, plug-in) – £10
6-piece Knife Set in wood block (Sheffield Lazor) – £8
2 Table Lampshades (Cream) – £8
3 Tier chest of drawers (Cream) – £12
Upright Suitcase with wheels (36" x 17") – £10
Tel: 01954 204366

Bar Hill Community Primary School
Bar Hill CB23 8DY
Tel: 01954 273305
Fax: 01954 273306
Email: office@barhill.cambs.sch.co.uk
Website: www.barhillschool.co.uk

It has been a busy and productive Term at Bar Hill – it is always a pleasure to see our students developing their individual talents – we were proud to win the interschool CMAT Spelling Bee, we continue to do well in sports competitions and I have been very impressed with our musician of the week this year – pupils who start our Friday assemblies by playing a musical instrument. It is also important to us to develop our children as leaders of the future and five of our children represented our school at the first ever conference for 'Journey to School Ambassadors'. These are children who raise the profile of the importance of walking to school and keeping safe on roads.

We are currently looking forward to celebrating Bar Hill Primary School's fiftieth birthday. The school officially opened with twenty-nine students and two members of staff on 10th September 1968. There have only been five Headteachers in that time – the sign of a happy school! I am proud to be the fifth! The children will be historians for the week of 26th November and find out what it was like to be at school Fifty years ago. If you attended Bar Hill and would like to talk to the children about your experiences, please contact the office on 01954 273305. Does anyone know any of the very first children to attend?

Bar Hill has always been a community school and I would like to thank the PTA for organising the firework display for the village.

On 28th November at 6.30pm we are holding an open evening for parents of children due to start school next year. It will be an opportunity to meet staff and find out more about the school. You are very welcome to attend if it is appropriate for you.

Best wishes
Janette Quinn, Headteacher
NPQH
B.Ed(Hons)

Handy telephone numbers/contact details:

Cambs County Council: Births, deaths and ma buses; consumer protection; education; libraries, health; recycling and waste; roads and highways; care; street lighting; trading standards; transport a el. Tel 01223 717111

South Cambs District Council: Building control; rates; car parks; council tax; elections and voter reg tions; environmental health; housing and homeless leisure centres; licensing; pest control; planning; refu collection; street cleaning Tel 03450 450500 https:// www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/council/contact-us/not which-council-to-contact/

To report issues on **footpaths, public rights of way, roads** https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/ travel-roads-and-parking/roads-and-pathways/roadwc and-faults. Tel 01223 717111

Streetlight maintenance http://www.lighting cambrid shire.com/contact-us/report-fault.htm or enquir- ies@lightingcambridgeshire.com Tel 0800 7838 247. You will need to give the number on the lamp post

Cambridge Water Company (water supply) http://www.cambridge-water.co.uk Tel 0800 316 7676

Anglian Water (waste water) http://www.anglianwater.co.uk/ Tel 0800 145 145

— FRIENDS OF THE ROSIE —

We hope all our customers are looking forward to Christmas. We are, and we have lots of stalls raising money to help make the Rosie a more comfortable environment for mothers and babies. For up-to-the minute information follow Rosie in Stitches Facebook page.

Rosie in Stitches would like to thank all our customers at our recent stalls. We added £263 to our fundraising total at Addenbrooke's in November, our income for 2018 is now over £1,400.

Cambridge South Rotary Club has a reasonably priced Car Parking Project that will be raising money for a selection of charities including The Friends of the Rosie Hospital. The car parks they are using this year are Downing College (Tennis Court Road), Dept of Chemistry Lensfield Road and Harvey Road (off Hills Road). The project begins on 1st December and is held every weekend for the whole month, including the last Thursday and Friday.

Upcoming Stall dates

Tea Bar, Rosie Hospital Outpatient Clinic – Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm

Saturday 3rd December: Bar Hill Community Market – 10.30am to 2pm
Selling gifts for all ages

Tuesday 11 December: Cambourne Christmas Market – 4pm-8pm
Large display of toys

New members are always welcome, whether to contribute financially, to join our team of knitters, to organise the three large stalls per year at Addenbrooke's Outpatients, provide transport for our volunteers, display a small selection of our wares or to help on the Rosie tea bar. Contact Mary Sanders on 01223 356615 further details are given on our website www.rosieinstitches.org.uk.

Thank you for your continued support.

— Bar Hill Church —

Services during December & January 2019

BAR HILL CHURCH
spread the word

Sunday 2 December	10:00 am	Café Church (Advent Sunday)
	6:00 pm	Informal Worship
Sunday 9 December	10:00 am	Holy Communion (Anglican)
Wednesday 12 December	10:00 am	Midweek Communion
Thursday 13 December	2:30 pm	Christmas Songs of Praise (in the Octagon)
Sunday 16 December	10:00 am	Gift & Crib Service
Sunday 23 December	8:00 am	Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Morning Worship
	6:30 pm	Carols by Candlelight
Monday 24 December	4:00 pm	Christingle Service
	11:30 pm	Midnight Communion
Tuesday 25 December	10:00 am	Family Worship for Christmas Day
Sunday 30 December	10:00 am	Morning Worship
Sunday 6 January	10:00 am	Methodist Covenant Service (Epiphany)
	6:00 pm	Informal Worship
Wednesday 9 January	10:00 am	Midweek Communion
Sunday 13 January	10:00 am	All-together Worship
Sunday 20 January	10:00 am	Holy Communion (Baptist)
	6:00 pm	'A Time to Remember' (see opposite)
Sunday 27 January	8:00 am	Holy Communion
	10:00 am	Songs of Praise

Social Calendar for December and January

Olive Tree Coffee Morning Saturdays 15 December and 19 January 10:30 am (Meetings Room)

Knit & Natter every Thursday 1:15—3:00 pm in the Octagon,

Christmas Lunch Saturday 8 December (contact Sue 01954 780260)

Coffee Stop every Wednesday 10 am - noon in the Library (contact Sue 01954 780260)

Art Group every Wednesday 1:30 - 4:00 pm in the Octagon (contact Jan 01954 201495)

(finishes for Christmas 12 December, restarts 9 January) (no **Craft Group** in December/January)

Church Contacts

Church Office	Ian Pryke	01954 206120	office@barhillchurch.org.uk
Minister	Rev. Charles Mather	01954 277119	charlesmather20@yahoo.com
Address	Bar Hill Church Centre, Hanover Close, Bar Hill, Cambridge CB23 8EH		
Website	https://barhillchurch.org.uk	**Facebook**	https://facebook.com/barhillchurch

— Bar Hill Church —

Christmas and Advent 2018

we extend a warm welcome to all of our services

Thursday 13 December 2:30 pm
Christmas Songs of Praise
~ in the Octagon ~

Sunday 16 December 10:00 am
Gift & Crib Service
~ Nativity Story for all the family ~

Sunday 23 December 6:30 pm
Carols by Candlelight
~ with hot drinks and mince pies ~

Monday 24 December 4:00 pm
Christingle Service
~ especially for the children ~

Monday 24 December 11:30 pm
Midnight Communion
~ for the night owls ~

Tuesday 25 December 10:00 am
Family Worship
~ celebrate the birth of our Saviour ~

January 2019: a Time to Remember

Our annual service of remembrance takes place on Sunday 20th January at 6.00pm in Bar Hill Church. Everyone is very welcome to attend this service, whether you have lost a loved one recently or many years ago, this service is an opportunity to light a candle in their memory. Refreshments will be served after the informal service giving time to talk about those we love, but who are no longer with us.

— Catholic Church —

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND THE ENGLISH MARTYRS

The Catholic Church serving Bar Hill
Hills Road, Cambridge

Parish Priest: **Rt. Rev. Mgr Eugene Canon Harkness** Tel: 01223 350787

Local contact: **Bunty Waters** Tel: 01954 201421

Mon., Weds., Thurs., Friday 8am & 12.15pm

Tuesday 8am & 7.30pm

Saturday 6pm: First Mass of Sundays

Masses in the Parish Church in Cambridge; also 5pm at Cambourne and 6pm at The **Octagon, Bar Hill.**

Holydays of Obligation 8am, 10am, 7.30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday 6.45pm (not after Mass)

Saturday 10.30–11.15am, 4.30–5.15pm, 7.00–7.45pm

Details of other services are published in a weekly newsletter available at the 6pm Mass each Saturday. Copies are also available in the Church Centre.

Home Visits

I am happy to bring communion to house bound Catholics. I also visit people at the end of their lives, of any religion or none, who would welcome support or are distressed spiritually.

Contact Jean: 07841 397338, Catholic Eucharistic Minister. Associate Member of the Hospice Chaplaincy Team.

— INDOOR CARPET BOWLS —

We are a mixed group who meet in the school on Friday evenings during term time from 7.30–10.00pm with a ½-hour break for refreshment – all for £1.50 each evening you play.

We do not play in any leagues so even if you have never played before do not be put off. Why not come along and join us on any Friday evening with your 1st session being free? We look forward to welcoming you.

If you require any further details please contact Barbara on **01954 204171.**

— BAR HILL VILLAGE HALL —

- Conference Facilities;
- Seminars;
- Committee/Meeting Room;
- Training Days;
- Exam Sessions;
- Wedding Receptions;
- Birthday Celebrations;
- Anniversary Celebrations;
- Charity Events;
- Children's Parties;
- Jumble Sales.
- Kitchen Facilities.
- Excellent Parking and Catering Facilities.

During the week we have the following groups and clubs:

Mon.	(TTO)	Helene's School of Dance	4–6pm
		Craig Burns Boot Camp	6.15–7.15pm
	(TTO)	Pilates	7.15–8.15pm
Tue.	(TTO)	Over 50's Dance Class	2–3pm
		Shotokan Karate	6–8pm
Wed.	(TTO)	Helene's School of Dance	4.30–6.45pm
		Clubbercise with Marilyn	7.15–8.15pm
Thur.	(TTO)	Pilates	10–11am
		Little Kickers	1.45–2.45pm
		Little Kickers	3.30–4.30pm
		Weight Watchers	7–8pm
Fri.		Martial Arts	6–8pm
Sun.		Bingo	7–9.30pm

(TTO) Term Time only

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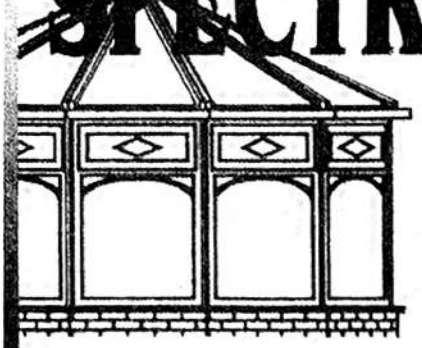

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Christmas and New Year clinics – the shortage of a GP this Christmas will have impact on the service we are able to offer during the Christmas period. The surgery core opening hours will remain unaffected, but we will only have capacity to see patients who need urgent treatment and care. Call the surgery on the usual number, and we will arrange for your condition to be assessed and treated. Please only call 111 when the surgery is closed.

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Carers Support Meetings – our next meeting at Willingham Surgery is on Wednesday 5th December. If you are a carer, do pop along and get some support from other people in the local community.

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There are some people who laugh about Morris Men, but an awful lot of people are intrigued and stop to watch. Perhaps you know one of the many people who annually get up really early on May Morning to see Devil's Dyke dancing for the sun-rise at Wandlebury Ring. Or you have been to Reach Fair and seen the crowds that have been watching the Men dancing there for more years than anybody can remember?

Maybe it's a "Marmite moment": some just can't like Morris dancing. But ask one of the Devil's Dyke men why they do it, and they might talk of keeping English culture alive or the importance of maintaining an ancient tradition. But they will also talk about friendship among men, about identity, the strength of the group and the support that can give through good times and bad. They might talk about drinking beer together, especially when it's "on the bag" when the man who controls the money might buy a round for all the dancers. And anybody who knows about physical and mental well-being will tell you about the exhilaration of physical effort especially when you pit yourself against your fellow dancers in the friendly rivalry of the dance.

It can't all be bad: it's lasted a few centuries! Give it a try. Experience the friendship and the camaraderie. Men do dance. Dare to be just a little bit different.

If this speaks to you, and you're looking for a new challenge, or a new opportunity to enjoy the company of new people in 2019, then come along to our New Year Morris Dancing taster session. Cheaper than joining a gym because it's free, and a surprising combination of mental and physical challenge. There is (let's be honest here) a certain amount of beer consumed, and to prove the point we'll buy you a post-session pint.

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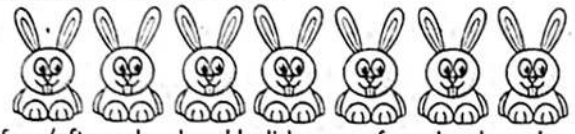

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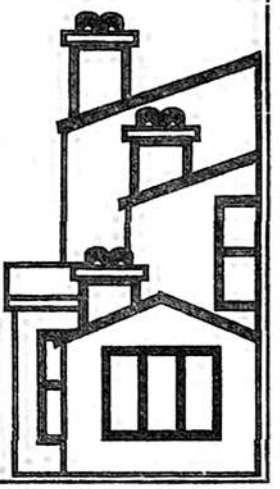

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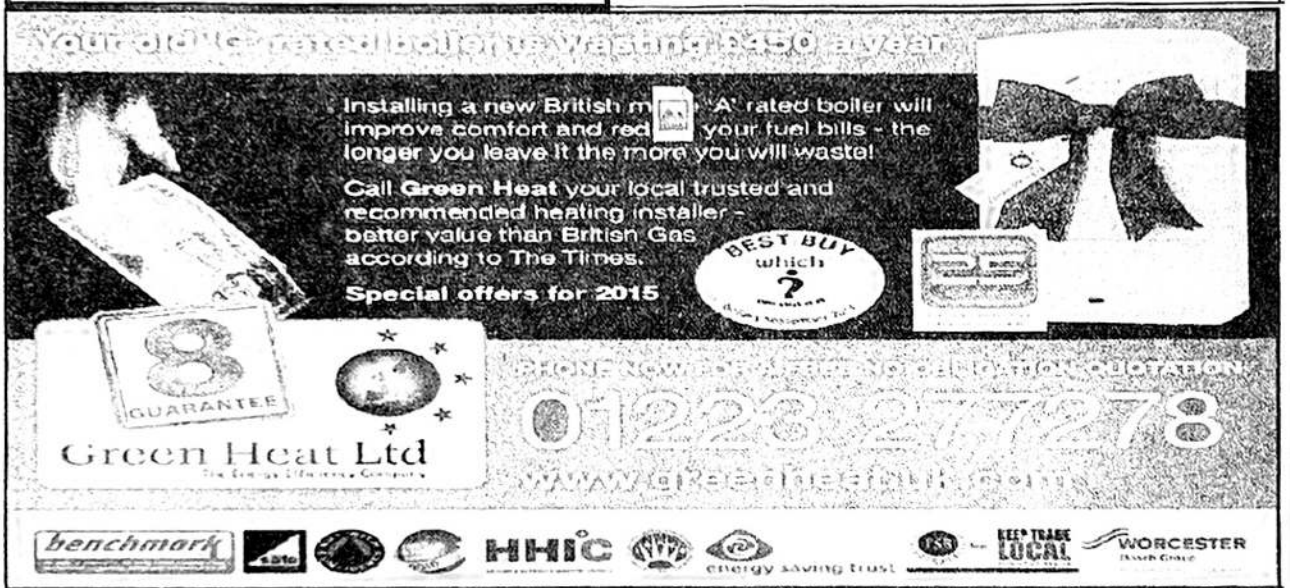
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.AMMOTH DISCOVERY ON 4 IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME

.emains of a woolly mammoth dating back to the ice ,e are among the latest remarkable finds from the team working on the £1.5 billion A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon project.

Highways England experts, working alongside archaeologists from MOLA Headland Infrastructure, have discovered the partial remains of a woolly mammoth and woolly rhino, both at least 100,000 years old, during excavations for construction materials near Fenstanton in what was once an ancient river.

They are the latest in a series of fantastic finds from the team building the new road, due to open in December 2020, with other remarkable discoveries including Prehistoric henges, Iron Age settlements, Roman pottery kilns, three Anglo-Saxon villages, and a deserted medieval village.

Both the woolly mammoth and woolly rhino were alive during the last Ice Age, the Pleistocene Epoch, which began about 2.6 million years ago and ended around 9,700 BC. This period was a time where the climate oscillated between cold glacial conditions with vast glaciers and warm temperate interglacial environments with animals such as hippopotamus foraging along the banks of the River Thames.

Mammoths and woolly rhinos adapted to life on the cold grasslands lying south of the glaciers. They were covered by thick fur and layers of body fat to protect them from the bitter cold of the glacial winter. Both animals fed mainly on low lying grasses and other herbs.

The woolly mammoth is closely related to today's Asian Elephant, though has a thick coat of brown fur in addition to its distinctive curved tusks. The herbivores were roughly the size of modern African Elephants, with the larger males measuring around four metres tall and weighing in at up to six tonnes. Initially surviving the end of the Ice Age, the last of them are believed to have lived on in the Arctic until around 1,560 BC – around a thousand years after the Pyramids of Giza were built.

The woolly rhino grew to around four metres long and weighed-in at just under a tonne with a height of around two metres at the shoulders, and had two distinctive horns on its head. They went extinct in Britain around 15,000 years ago, and have no living relatives.

The latest discoveries will now be treated by conservators in London and then studied by Ice Age specialists.

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50 per cent of all fires in the home start in the kitchen and more than half of those are as a result of distraction whilst cooking.

We want to help ensure your festive cheer doesn't go up in smoke this Christmas by sharing our tips below for safe cooking over the festive season:

- Never leave cooking unattended.
- Do not cook when tired or under the influence of alcohol, drugs or medication that makes you drowsy.
- Regularly clean the grill pan and oven. Built up fat can easily catch fire.
- Never leave anything cooking if you leave the house.
- Do not leave anything flammable on or near the hob – tea towels, oven gloves and even washing baskets.
- Take care when using microwaves. Fires can start when people put food in too long.
- Oven chips or temperature control deep fat fryers are safer than using a chip pan. If you do use a chip pan, do not fill it more than one third with fat and turn the heat down if the oil starts smoking.
- Fire can break out in household appliances so you should regularly maintain dishwashers, washing machines and driers, never leave them on if you go out or go to bed and register your appliances online to ensure you are made aware of any faults or recalls.
- Have a working smoke alarm on each floor of your home. If it keeps going off when you are cooking it is probably in the wrong location or you may have the wrong type of smoke alarm.
- Never take the batteries out of your smoke alarm.

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THE TITANS

Bar Hill Colts under 7's, now known as the Titans, have this season been entered into the league for the first time. With some really exciting matches and a great experience for the boys, so far they have won three, drawn one and lost two, always being able to hold their own against some very good teams. With ten players, they are a group of friends that enjoy playing football together whatever the result! If your child, boy or girl is in year two at school and interested in playing football, then the Titans train on a Wednesday between 6pm and 7pm at the Astro.

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Our inside area provides views across the village green in a inviting and welcoming atmosphere. Children can access toys and equipment independently. Skills are developed through activities and routines e.g. children help to prepare snack with safety knives and learn about how to stay healthy. Lunch clubs are a social time and adults sit at tables with children while they eat own packed lunch, encouraging friendships and social skills.

The extended outdoor learning environment provides opportunities from growing fruit and vegetables for our snack bar to exploring the mud kitchen, large sand pit and our sensory garden.

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— COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT —

Last month I referred to the concerns that had been expressed to me about the procurement process for the new contract for Maple Surgery. I was able to raise these at a meeting with representatives of the Clinical Commissioning Group [CCG] and Healthwatch. I also met with the Practice Manager at Maple Surgery. As a result there have been renewed efforts to establish a Patient Participation Group [PPG] and through that group to ensure that there is patient representation in the procurement process. I understand that seven residents who are registered with the practice have put themselves forward and that the first meeting of the newly convened group will be held on 05 December 2018. I have also now had sight of a letter that I understand has been sent to at least one member of each household where there are patients registered with the practice. There are still opportunities for other patients to put themselves forward for the PPG as I don't think that optimum size of the group has yet been achieved and it is of course important that its make up reflects the diversity of the community. Please contact the surgery if you would like to be involved. Meanwhile I shall continue to monitor the process.

One of the other things that residents contact me about, particularly around this time of year, is school admissions. Every year a number of pupils fail to secure a place at the school of their choice because that school is oversubscribed. When this happens parents can appeal against the decision and those appeals are heard by an independent panel as part of a process that is required by law. The County Council is currently seeking more volunteers for Cambridgeshire's School Admissions Appeals Panel. There is no requirement for volunteers to have previous educational experience but they do have to be totally independent of the County Council and the school governing bodies. The most important quality required is to be able to listen to both sides of a case and weigh up evidence objectively and impartially. The Council is very keen to ensure that panels reflect the diverse communities living in Cambridgeshire. These voluntary roles are not paid but travelling expenses and training are provided. The time commitment is usually a minimum of five working days each year. To find out more or request an application form, email: harriet.snape@cambridgeshire.gov.uk or rob.sanderson@cambridgeshire.gov.uk. The closing date for applications is 18 January 2019. Successful applicants will be notified by March and asked to attend training the following month.

I attended my first meeting as a member of the Fire Authority this month. Earlier this year the Police & Crime Commissioner made a bid to add the Fire Authority to his current responsibility for the police. My own response to the consultation on this was a firm 'no' as was the formal response of the County Council. The Fire Authority's request for a Judicial Review has now been granted and, whilst we wait for the outcome, I feel completely vindicated in my original view that it is an unnecessary change. My first impression as a member of the Authority is that we have a very well run Fire Service and that, whilst both the Fire Service and the Police currently collaborate and plan to continue to do so regardless of the outcome of the Judicial Review, there is no need to change the status quo nor benefit to be found by so doing.

Please do continue to contact me with your views and questions on the issues that are important to you.

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We were then given our accreditation pink wristband, our electric pink T-shirt and our purple games bag with the Wallace Highland Cow logo.
We were given a table with our roles for the games and our shift times.
One hour available for lunch before heading off to Forthbank. I had a traditional Scottish lunch at the hotel - haggis, neeps, tatties, a side order of veg and a pint of water.
I was volunteering at the opening ceremony in Forthbank Stadium (the football ground for Stirling Athletic). Event Manager Yvonne assigned me to Steward Team 1 led by Joe. Our role was to sort the athletes at the back of the stage ready to enter the arena, carrying their placard for their parade lap to the seating area. The first group to go through were "The Legends".
Spent some time chatting with the Tayside piper and helping him get a photo with his team placard.
My role was greeting the teams off the double decker buses and keeping the teams separated in the car park and putting them into the running order for the script being used by the hosts Gail Porter and Jamie... ready for their parade around the arena.
Once the teams were all in the arena, my next role was sitting in the stand behind the stage directing and supporting the athletes to the toilets. I was able to watch the stage performance on the big TV monitor. The acts for the event included The Red Hot Chilli Pipers, Max Murphy, Soul Nation Rock Choir, Clyve, Horse McDonald.
At the close of the ceremony all the volunteers formed a line of honour to guide the athletes back to their buses in the car park. Lots of High Fives and High Tens.
Once the field was clear of athletes we were stacking the chairs ready for collection. I left at 10pm leaving the remaining volunteers to finish removing the flooring ready for collection.

Day 2

Heavy rain here 6-10am. With another quick shower at 12.20pm. The footballers were in their element.
Up too early for breakfast at the B&B so left for breakfast at the Stirling Court Hotel on campus. Just as well. I was approached by the Games Volunteer Co-ordinator, Mary, who asked me to become an on-call driver for the athletes.
After breakfast I helped pack up the lunch bags with sandwiches before going to collect a hire car, a Ford 9-seater people carrier. First job was to take sponsorship banners to the Swimming Pool.
From 5.15pm I was driving the Scotland West boccia team from the sports hall to the dinner hall.
In Bridge of Allan we spotted a tapas bar called Crooks. Since my maiden name is Crook I asked for their 20% discount even though it was a little after the cut-off 6pm. We enjoyed a quick dinner then set off back to the campus to collect the athletes from dinner and take them back to the accommodation block, Alexander Court at the top of the mountain (hill) past Airthrey Castle.

HEIDI ALLEN, MP

It really doesn't seem possible that we have reached November – where has this year gone!?
Over the last few weeks, I have uploaded information about Brexit, local infrastructure projects and a range of news articles, including my speech in the Budget debate about Universal Credit. You can also hear my recent questions to the Prime Minister about Brexit and also sleep-in shifts in the care sector.
I recently held a public meeting to discuss the state of play regarding Brexit. More than 150 constituents attended, making for a lively and passionate discussion. This type of engagement away from the Westminster bubble is invaluable for me as it helps to ensure I do my very best to represent you. If you were unable to attend, but interested in the debate, you can find video recordings on my website at www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk/brexit
Whatever your views on Brexit, it is important for me to know what you are thinking. As the negotiations with the EU reach their inevitable conclusion, I will let you know about any further meetings I plan to hold.
I am pleased to report that the Health and Social Care Secretary, Matt Hancock accepted my invitation to visit South Cambridgeshire. He began his day with a trip to CMR Surgical Limited who are based on Madingley Road. Their development of surgical robotics will transform how surgery is carried out in hospitals all over the world, its real ground breaking stuff. Matt also visited Addenbrooke's Hospital, the Genome Campus and Granta Medical Practice in Sawston where he heard about their innovative plans to radically improve how primary care is delivered. It is fair to say Matt went home very impressed with our constituency!
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South Cambridgeshire Residents will have to pay a small annual fee to have more than one green bin collected in future – which some Councillors have described as being fairer for all

The collection of the first green bin will remain free. Currently, around 2,300 households in South Cambridgeshire have more than one green bin, out of around 66,000 households in total.

Residents signing up to the scheme early next year will pay £20 to cover the collection of additional green bins from March to October. From October, residents will pay £35 annually for a 12-month cycle of collections.

Relocation of Waterbeach Station

Plans to re-locate Waterbeach Railway Station have been formally approved after being supported by South Cambridgeshire District Council's LD Planning Committee.

Bedding Donation

A Cambourne hotel has donated good quality bedding to South Cambridgeshire District Council – which in turn has passed it onto local housing good causes.

DoubleTree by Hilton Cambridge Belfry recently changed all of its bedding as part of a rebrand, and wanted to ensure previously-used duvets, pillows, mattress protectors and throws were re-used. Staff at the hotel contacted South Cambridgeshire District Council, whose main office is also in Cambourne, and asked if they could assist.

Tackling Loneliness

South Cambs has an online toolkit offering advice and guidance for setting up new activities which can combat loneliness. It tells you where you can get help and there are some case studies of 12 local and inspiring projects, set up by small groups of people volunteering their time and enthusiasm.

www.scambs.gov.uk/community/a-toolkit-for-tackling-social-isolation-and-loneliness/

I would like to wish all residents a very Happy and peaceful Christmas, and a happy New Year. My thanks for all your comments and advice throughout the year.

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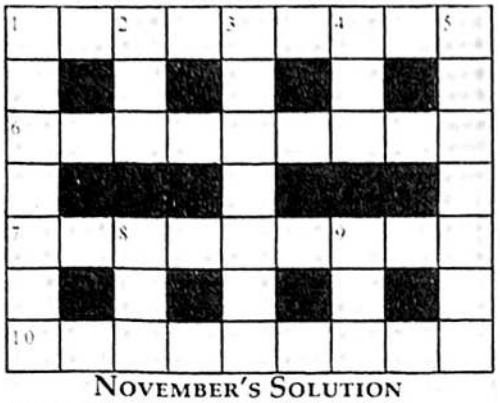
— DECEMBER CROSSWORD —

Across: 1. 25th Dec – Day. 6. Carol: "The Holly-3-3-3". 7. he will undertake most things 3-3-3. 10. American terms.

Down: 1. fine leather. 2. colour of holly berries. 3. folk learn at these. 4. May in France. 5. adages. 8. holds back water – or mother. 9. award for achievement.



NOVEMBER'S SOLUTION

Across: 1. Liverpool, 6. tampering. 7. unfairest. 10. egregious.

Down: 1. lettuce. 2. vim. 3. reeding. 4. obi. 5. legates. 8. far. 9. ego.

— BIN COLLECTION —

6th December	green and blue
13th December	black
20th December	green and blue
Friday 28th December	black
Friday 4th January	green and blue
10th January	black
17th January	green and blue
24th January	black
31st January	green and blue

— THE ALLOTMENT SOCIETY —

Anyone interested in renting space to grow their own produce can be put on our waiting list for membership. Please contact Rob Lawrence, plot allocator, on 07788 590348.

All other allotment matters should be addressed to: barhillallotment@gmail.com.

— USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS —

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	Church office	01954 206120
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— DECEMBER PUZZLE —

Form nine, nine letter CHRISTMAS WORDS, in groups of three letters, in alphabetical order.

A	C	E	E	P	L	O	R	A
A	K	E	E	T	I	R	G	R
A	K	E	E	V	E	S	N	O
A	T	E	F	I	R	S	T	N
C	E	L	F	R	U	T	E	S
C	H	E	G	R	E	T	L	E
D	E	C	I	T	C	T	O	E
E	B	R	M	I	S	U	T	S
E	E	N	N	G	S	W	F	L

E			B	R				
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E		O			T			
V					E			
I					A			
R				C				
R			T					
I		T						
N		W	F	L	A			

Solution for November: BOUNDERBY, GREWGIOUS, MARKLEHAM, MURDSTONE, PARDIGGLE, RIDERHOOD, SMALLWEED, SNODGRASS, VENEERING.

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— EVENTS CALENDAR —

date	*event*	*where*	*time*
1 Dec	Christmas Community Market *(page 3)*	Church	10.30am–2pm
1 Dec	Friends of the Rosie stall at Christmas Community Market *(page 5)*	Octagon	10.30am–2pm
3 Dec	Happy Hours – Christmas Arts and Crafts *(page 3)*	Octagon	11am–3pm
4 Dec	Residents' Association Committee meeting *(page 1)*	Parish Council office	7.30pm
6 Dec	NWR – The NHS *(page 3)*		8pm
10 Dec	Happy Hours – Christmas Short Stories *(page 3)*	Octagon	11am–3pm
11 Dec	Health and Wellbeing Club *(page 3)*	Tesco Community Room	2–4pm
11 Dec	Rosie at Cambourne Christmas Market *(page 5)*	Cambourne	4pm–8pm
12 Dec	Wildlife Trust's Christmas Miscellany *(page 16)*	PE28 4TB	7.30pm
14 Dec	School end of term discos *(page 1)*	School	various
14 Dec	Charity Christmas quiz *(page 8)*	BHSSC	7.30pm
15 Dec	The Olive Tree coffee morning *(page 1)*	Octagon	10.30–11.30am
17 Dec	Happy Hours – Christmas Dinner *(page 3)*	Octagon	11am–3pm
20 Dec	NWR – Pub Quiz *(page 3)*		8pm
21 Dec	Christmas raffle draw night *(page 8)*	BHSSC	8pm
24 Dec	Christmas Eve Disco *(page 8)*	BHSSC	
25 Dec	Christmas Day open 12–2pm *(page 8)*	BHSSC	12–2pm
31 Dec	NYE Disco *(page 8)*	BHSSC	8pm
7 Jan	Happy Hours – Bingo and a Quiz *(page 3)*	Octagon	11am–3pm
8 Jan	Health and Wellbeing Club *(page 3)*	Tesco Community Room	2–4pm
9 Jan	Wildlife Trust Talk *(page 16)*	PE28 4TB	7.30pm
10 Jan	NWR – Items beginning with N W and R *(page 3)*		8pm
14 Jan	Happy Hours – Meaning of Names *(page 3)*	Octagon	11am–3pm
17 Jan	Morris Dancing Taster Session *(page 15)*	Bottisham Scout Hut	8–10pm
19 Jan	The Olive Tree coffee morning *(page 1)*	Octagon	10.30–11.30am
21 Jan	Happy Hours – Mind and Memory Games *(page 3)*	Octagon	11am–3pm
22 Jan	Bar Hill Book Club *(page 3)*	BHSSC	7.30pm
24 Jan	NWR – Burns Night *(page 3)*		8pm
26 Jan	PTA Pop Quiz *(page 1)*	School	7.15pm
27 Jan	Pool Competition *(page 8)*	BHSSC	4pm
28 Jan	Happy Hours – 'Feel Your Way' *(page 3)*	Octagon	11am–3pm
9 Feb	Prime Brass Band Concert *(page 1)*	Church	7.30pm

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